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Memorandum for: The Director of Central Intelligence

Subject: Request for Permission to Testify Before  
a Congressional Committee.

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1. On 2 March I received a call from Mr. McManus, of the staff of the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee, to request that we make [redacted] available for discussions with the Subcommittee staff and possible testimony before the Subcommittee. The Subcommittee is investigating allegations of wartime destruction of G-2 and ONI files on the Communist Party and its members.

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2. During 1944 [redacted] was an aide to Cordell Hull, then Secretary of State, including liaison with the Department's Security Office. In the course of those duties he was informed by [redacted]

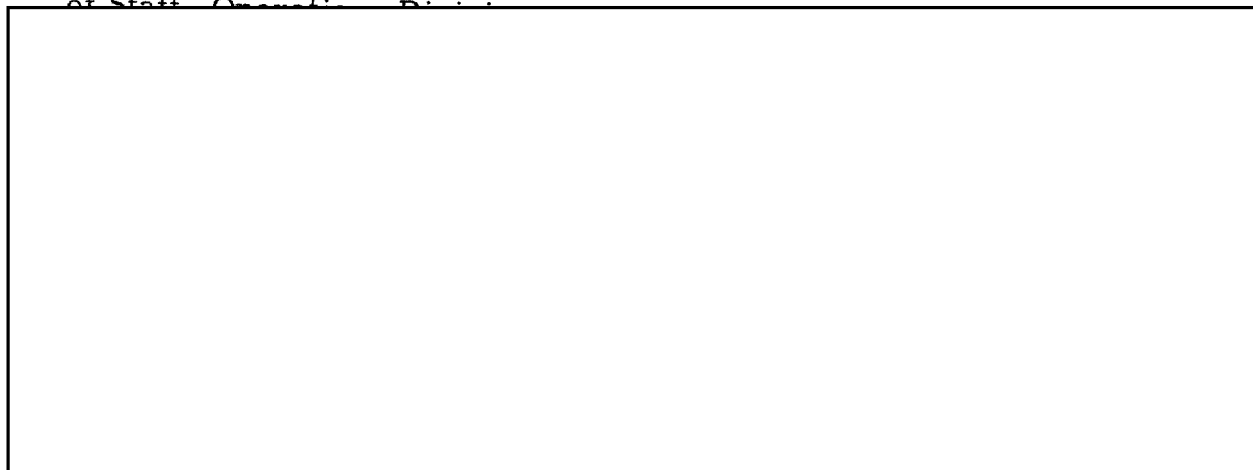
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[redacted] then on the State Department Security staff, that the latter had been informed "within the hour" that an order had been signed in the Department of the Army directing the destruction of these files. Mr. [redacted] brought this matter to the immediate attention of the Secretary of State, who discussed it with General John Hull, then Assistant Chief of Staff, Operations Division.

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4. It is recommended that you authorize [redacted] appearance in compliance with the Internal Security Subcommittee's request.

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